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Governor Announces Appointments to Commissions and Boards

Topeka – Kansas Governor Sam Brownback announced today numerous appointments to boards and commissions.

“I appreciate the willingness of these Kansans to give of their time, energy, and talent. With their help, we will make our great state even better,” Governor Brownback said.

Kansas Sports Hall of Fame Board of Trustees

Seven members make up the Kansas Sports Hall of Fame Board of Trustees who are appointed by the governor. The board oversees the Hall of Fame museum located in Wichita which is dedicated to preserving the history of sports in the state of Kansas.

- Ken Berry, Topeka, played professional baseball for 14 years for four major league teams, coached in professional baseball league for 19 years and business owner for nearly 30 years.
- Bill D. Synder, Manhattan, has enjoyed a long, successful coaching career in college football and is currently the head football coach at Kansas State University.

Kansas Credit Union Council

The Kansas Credit Union Council is a seven-member advisory council that is appointed by the Governor of Kansas. Appointees serve a term of three years. The Council holds one regular meeting during each quarter of the year and special meetings on call of a majority of the council or the chairperson. The Council serves as an advisor to the Administrator of the Kansas Department of Credit Unions on issues and needs of credit unions.

- John D. Beverlin, Olathe, has been with Mainstreet Credit Union (formerly Credit Union of Johnson County) for more than 38 years, the last 25 as its President and CEO.

Kansas Volunteer Commission

Appointed by the governor, Kansas Volunteer Commission members come from all over the state and represent a variety of organizations, communities and values. They oversee and direct the work of KVC staff to develop and fund service programs in Kansas and help connect Kansans with volunteer and service opportunities. Members serve for a term of three years and commit to six bimonthly meetings held throughout the state.

- Jolene Niernberger, Ellis, is the director of the Fort Hays Senior Companion Program and the Fort Hays Foster Grandparent Program and has served on the commission since 1994.
- Travis Couture-Lovelady, Topeka, is the communications director for Kansas State Treasurer Ron Estes.
- Linda Caton, Wichita, is the director of YouthFriends Reno County, a school-based mentoring organization and has served on the commission since 2007.
- Belinda Post, Topeka, is a professional dance performer and instructor and a community volunteer.

Kansas Advisory Council on Aging

The Advisory Council on Aging is a statutorily created body, representing different geographical, social and ethnic groups, with at least half of membership being 60 years of age or older. The Council meets at least twice a year to provide advocacy for the aging in the affairs of the Kansas Department on Aging (KDOA), the Governor's office, and other public and private, state and local agencies affecting aging issues. They also serve as the advisory committee as required by the federal Older Americans Act, and have the duty to review and comment upon various activities of KDOA.

- Carlton B. McNair, Overland Park, is retired, after a 33-year career in education and ten years with AARP.

Kansas Dental Board

The Kansas Dental Board was created to carry out and enforce the Kansas Dental Practices Act. The Board consists of nine members: six licensed and qualified resident dentists (one from each congressional district and two at-large), two licensed and qualified resident dental hygienists, and one representative from the general public. Members of the Board are appointed by the Governor for four-year terms and serve until their successors are appointed.

- Charles F. Squire, D.D.S., Wichita, has been in private practice as periodontitis since 1974.

Kansas State Fair Board

The Kansas State Fair Board is a 13 member board appointed by the Governor that acts as the showcase of Kansas agriculture, commerce and industry. It provides education, entertainment and presents a comprehensive format that satisfies the needs and desires of people from all walks of Kansas life.

- Jeffery H. Deeds, Goodland, owns and operates a diversified grain farm in northwest Kansas with his wife and three sons. He has served on the fair board for ten years and was recently elected chairman.

Kansas Board of Pharmacy

The seven member Board of Pharmacy is appointed by the Governor for overlapping four year terms and is composed of six licensed pharmacists with at least five years of experience and one member who represents the general public. The Kansas Board of Pharmacy regulates the practice of pharmacy professionals and pharmacy-related entities conducting business within Kansas or shipment of pharmaceuticals directly to businesses or citizens domiciled in the state.

- Chad Ullom, Topeka, has been a registered pharmacist in Kansas since 1996 and is a guest lecturer at the UMKC School of Pharmacy.
- Robert D. Haneke, Sylvia, has been a registered pharmacist in Kansas since 1977 and is the clinical director at PharmaSource Healthcare, Inc.

Kansas Commission on Autism

The Governor's Commission on Autism advises and makes recommendations to the Governor regarding Autism, families with a child with an autism spectrum disorder, and service providers. The Commission consists of 15 members appointed by the Governor.

- Andrew J. Schlapp, Wichita, is the executive director of governmental affairs and board of trustees for Wichita State University.
- Terri Cooper Swanson, Olathe, is currently an assistant professor at Pittsburg State University. She is teaching courses in the Masters of Science in Teaching. She is also working on her Ph.D. in Special Education in autism and Asperger syndrome.

Kansas Real Estate Commission

The Commission consists of five members appointed by the Governor: one from each of the four congressional districts and one member at large. At least three members shall have been real estate brokers for five years and at least one member shall have never engaged in business as a real estate broker and shall not be so engaged while serving on the Commission. Each member is appointed for a four-year term. Term expiration dates are staggered, resulting in one appointment each year for three years and two appointments in the fourth year.

- Errol G. Wuertz, Sr., Hays, is a real estate broker and appraiser with more than 33 years in the industry.

Kansas State Board of the Healing Arts

The Kansas Board of Healing Arts consists of 15 members appointed by the governor from a list of nominees. Five shall be practicing medical doctors; three shall be practicing osteopathic doctors; three shall be licensed chiropractors; one shall be a licensed podiatrist and three shall be members of the general public. The board oversees licensing and regulatory functions in accordance with all applicable statutes, rules, and regulations in an open, courteous, and efficient manner.

- Gary L. Counselman, Topeka, is a licensed chiropractor since 1972 and a member of the state board since 2003.

Employment Security Board of Review

The employer or the claimant has the right to appeal a determination approving or denying a benefit claim. An appeal judge's decision may be appealed to the Kansas Employment Security Board of Review. The board does not conduct a hearing, but decides the matter solely on the record made at the appeal hearing before the Kansas Department of Labor's appeal judge. No new evidence may be introduced; however, the board may send the case back to a special hearing officer to obtain further evidence. The Kansas Senate confirmed the following Governor's appointments to the board:

- Patricia Bossert, Topeka, is the owner and president of three personnel related firms that provide everything from executive placement to temporary staffing. She has more than 20 years of personnel related experience.
- Hylaurd Wayne Maichel, Topeka, served as the Director of the Division of Employment Security at the Kansas Department of Labor from 2003-2009. He also served as a member of the Employment Security Advisory Council and the Workers Compensation Advisory Council.

Pooled Money Investment Board

The Pooled Money Investment Board (PMIB) invests the money available from the State General Fund and the hundreds of other state funds deposited with the State Treasurer. The PMIB also provides investment management services for other state agencies with investment portfolios. In addition, PMIB's responsibilities include the management and administration of the Kansas Municipal Investment Pool (MIP) which provides an investment alternative for local government entities in Kansas.

- Robert Chestnut, Lawrence, is currently the Chief Financial Officer at Allen Press, Inc. He has more than 10 years of experience as a CFO and has held key positions with several Fortune 500 companies including Sprint.

Kansas Development Finance Authority

The Kansas Development Finance Authority promotes economic development for Kansas by facilitating long-term financing for capital projects and programs via the issuance of taxable and tax-exempt bonds or other securities. KDFA is the only multi-purpose, State-level finance authority serving Kansas. The powers of the Kansas Development Finance Authority are vested by statute in a five-member Board of Directors who are appointed by the Governor to staggered four-year terms of office, subject to confirmation by the Kansas Senate. At least three of the appointed members must be representative of the general public, and not more than three of the five Board members can be of the same political party. The Kansas Senate confirmed the following Governor's appointments to the board:

- Donald Linville, Garden City, has more than 30 years of experience as a Certified Public Accountant. He is currently a member-owner of the Lewis, Hooper & Dick CPA firm.

Civil Service Board

The State Civil Board is a five member body which hears appeals from classified state employees with permanent status under the Kansas civil service act as well as applicants for classified positions who are entitled by law and regulation to appeal to the Board. The five Board members are appointed by the governor and confirmed by the senate. Their terms of office are for four years. No more than three members can be of the same political party.

- Phillis Setchell, Topeka, began her career as a dental hygienist before moving to Topeka and becoming more involved in politics. She has served as a Grassroots Director/Coordinator on six different races and has been a Supervising Judge for the Shawnee County Election Office Polling Site for 15 years.

Kansas Public Employees' Retirement (KPERs) Board of Trustees

The KPERs Board of Trustees is comprised of nine members. Four are appointed by the Governor, two are appointed by legislative leaders, two are elected by Retirement System members, and one is the elected State Treasurer. All serve four year terms.

- Terry Matlack, Shawnee, is currently the Managing Director at Tortoise Capital Advisors in Leawood.

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- Bob Corwin has more than 20 years of leadership, management and operations experience within the credit union industry. He is currently the Executive Vice President/Chief Operating Officer for the First Tech Credit Union.

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